

the members, and the church greatly strengthened spiritually. At the close of our meeting we held a love feast, the first for three years or more. Twenty gathered round the Lord's table, four of these for the first time. All seemed greatly strengthened by thus obeying their Master. Some were absent owing to inclement weather and short notice of the communion. All in all the meeting was a success, even the members expressing themselves surprised at what the Lord had done for them. May God ever keep them in his love, each submissive to the Divine will, with ever a forgiving spirit to all, one aim, one purpose and God will abundantly bless them. Our thanks to all, especially Brother Shope and family, for a home while in their midst.

L. A. HAZLETT.

Elk Lick, Pa.

Report of Union Meeting, Dunlaps, Ind., April 3 and 4, 1901

It is with pleasure that we are able to report the helpful services during our late union meeting. We were treated to a spiritual feast by the helpful thoughts and presence of Brethren Braker, Miller, Hubbard, Menaugh, Flora, Rench and Bemenderfer, together with members from every congregation within the county also the adjoining counties who were permitted to share the services with us.

APRIL 3, 7:30 P. M.

The sermon by brother B. H. Flora was well received, his theme, "Satan Bound." Unless care is exercised the believer in Christ becomes entwined with the small cord of indifference, later it becomes a cable of the social circle or intemperance and last it becomes strengthened by the chains of infidelity.

APRIL 4, 9:00 A. M.

The morning service began with song service, sentence prayers and Bible reading from Heb. 1, conducted by brother W. H. Miller. In the absence of the secretary Ida Simmonds was elected secretary pro tem.

President Menaugh called for the paper, "Power

in Prayer," by Ida Simmonds. In addition there were several who offered helpful suggestions.

A. S. Menaugh next presented the subject, "The Ideal Plan for Meeting all Church Expenses." The thoughts recommended that the membership be apportioned according to ability; that the offering be lifted every two weeks or oftener if possible; that it is easier to pay small amounts rather than large ones; that the contribution be continued the same when without a pastor in service as with one. A number took part in the discussion with profit.

The paper, "Christian Influence" by Mrs. Mary Felthouse was an able production.

With power L. O. Hubbard presented the subject, "Non Church Goers,—The cause and remedy." Selfishness, get Jesus Christ into our lives.

Adjourned with song and prayer by W. H. Miller.

2:00 P. M.

After song service we were led in prayer by W. H. Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Braker of South Bend favored us with a song. The secretary of the Indiana State Mission Board was next given an opportunity to present the needs of the board in a substantial manner. He secured nineteen one dollar pledges toward swelling the one thousand resolved at State Conference. Again we were favored with a solo by Mr. and Mrs. Braker. At this point G. W. Rench disposed of a number of the booklets entitled, "Power in the Word." He continued with the Bible reading subject, "All things thru Christ" which was quite instructive.

New Paris extended an invitation for the next union meeting to be held at their place in three months, in a grove near there.

The president appointed Brethren Flora, Rench and Leedy as a committee to arrange a program for the next meeting.

The offering received was two dollars and ten cents. Following, a motion prevailed that the treasurer pay to the secretary of the State Mission Board the sum of eight dollars.

The subject, "Conscience and the Bible" was

presented by Brother Braker in an able manner. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Braker for their assistance in the service.

Services closed with song, and benediction pronounced by L. O. Hubbard, to meet at

7:30 P. M.

for communion service, which was well attended. A number were privileged to attend this service who were not permitted to be with us during the day. May the Father receive all the praise for the blessings received.

IDA SIMMONDS, Sec., Pro Tem.

Goshen, Ind.

Maryland, Virginia and W. Virginia Conference

The conference of the Brethren churches of Md., Va., W. Va., will meet at St. James church in Md., on May 23, P. M., and continue 24th, and 25th, with preaching, Sunday school and love feast on 26th. Persons coming by B. & O. R. R. leave train at Breatbeds, N. & W., St. James. A cordial invitation extended to all interested. Ample arrangements for entertainment will be made. Any suggestions as to program or general work of conference should be forwarded *at once* to Joshua Long, Downsville, Md., who with H. M. Cross and T. J. Fahrney constitutes the Executive Committee.

Proclamation

Presented and accepted at the Quarterly Business meeting of the First Brethren Church, Pittsburg, Pa.

To the pastor, officers and members of the First Brethren church: Let it be proclaimed far and near, in our homes, on the street, and to the ends of our beloved brotherhood, that the 12th day of May be set apart as dedicatory day, to dedicate this new building wholly and freely to the service of Almighty God, and the lifting up of poor fallen humanity, and that this building may be a refuge to us, to our children, and the brethren sojourning in this great and wicked city.

YOUR BUILDING COMMITTEE

Program of Ohio Conference of Brethren Churches, BRYAN, OHIO, JUNE 6 to 9, 1901

THURSDAY EVENING, 7 O'CLOCK

- 1 Devotional services.
- 2 Appointment of Committee on Credentials.
- 3 " " Committees.
- 4 Three minute talks by delegates.
- 5 Annual sermon by the Moderator, J. L. Kimmel.

FRIDAY EVENING

- 1 Address, The Need of More Thorough Bible Study, J. A. Miller.
- 2 A Conference on Sunday-school Work, led by A. D. Gnagey.

SATURDAY EVENING

- 1 Open Parliament on Missions, (45 minutes) led by W. D. Furry.
- 2 Missionary sermon by J. C. Mackey.

PAPERS AND ADDRESSES

- 1 The Relation of Local Congregations to Each Other. P. J. Brown, Isaac Ross.
- 2 How the Congregation May Aid the Pastor. Mack White, Wm. Kiefer.
- 3 The Prayer Meeting. H. S. Jacobs, S. B. Grisso.
- 4 Christian Education. J. C. Mackey, L. L. Garber.
- 5 The Need of a Catechism for the Brethren Church. A. D. Gnagey, D. F. Eikenberry.
- 6 Literature for our People—the Church Responsible. L. S. Bauman, Josiah Keim.
- 7 What the S. S. C. E. May do. Mrs. Sarah Keim, Mrs. Mary Wise.
- 8 How Induce Young Men to Enter the Ministry. Wm. Beachler, J. L. Kimmel.

BUSINESS

- 1 General Church Work.
- 2 Sunday-school and Young People's Work.

- 3 Publishing and Educational Interests.
- 4 Mission and S. S. C. E. Work.

5 Reports:—

- Of Board of Elders.
- Of Ministerial Examining Board.
- Of Mission Board.
- Of Secretary on Statistics.
- Miscellaneous.

6 Election:—

- Of Member of Board of Elders.
- Of Member of Ministerial Examining Board.
- Of College Trustees.
- Of State Conference Officers.
- Of Secretary and Treasurer of Mission Board.

7 Reports of Committees:—

- On Credentials.
- On Resolutions.
- On Ministerial Credentials.

8 Miscellaneous.

SUNDAY

- 1 Sunday-school, 10 A. M.
- 2 Morning sermon by A. D. Gnagey.
- 3 Conference on Young People's Work, (3 P. M., led by W. D. Furry.
- 4 Evening Praise Service, led by J. L. Kimmel.
- 5 Evening sermon by J. Allen Miller.

REMARKS

- 1 Four business sessions to be held on Friday and Saturday.
- 2 Committee on program to arrange business and daily program.
- 3 All papers on subjects assigned to be written. Papers limited to 15 minutes.
- 4 All papers and addresses open for discussion.

Signed by Committee,

S. B. GRISSE.
SAMUEL KEISER.
J. ALLEN MILLER.